

Fire Update

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For the week: ♦ September 4, 2011 ♦ September 10, 2011

4,058 total runs in 2011
5,470 total runs in 2010

TIP OF THE MONTH: Electrical Hazards

Do not touch electrical devices when your hands are wet or when standing in water.

♦ If you feel a "zap" when touching an appliance, unplug it immediately and have it repaired.

♦ Replace any electrical cords that are cracked or frayed.

Do not overload electrical outlets or extension cords and do not run extension cords under rugs.

Do not mess with your fuse box or use improper sized fuses

♦ Electrical work should be done by a licensed electrician and the work should meet local building codes and be inspected by local building officials.

♦ Keep halogen lights away from any flammable material and low ceiling areas. Do not leave halogen lights on when you leave your home.

This Week's Highlights:

- Arts, Beats & Eats continues to be a very popular event. This year the heat kept us extremely busy. We had numerous visitors overcome with heat symptoms. Then the Storm came in Saturday evening and we had tents and equipment flying all over the place. We were very fortunate no one was seriously injured. We had to take all our resources and respond to electrical wires taken down by multiple fallen trees.

This week we had another very unusual incident. We responded to a roof collapse on S. Main. This could have been very serious if it took place later in the day. Fortunately the business was not open.

Lastly the storm damage continues with a trellis fence line burning from wires taken down by a tree. This has to be a record year for storm damage with so many houses, garages, sheds and wooden fence lines damaged by energized electrical lines taken down with high winds.

Fires: This week: 1 ♦ Total for the year: 754

EMS: Runs this week: 114 ♦ Total for the year: 2693

Car Fires: This week: 0

Hazardous Conditions: ♦ This week: 28 ♦ Total for the Year: 290

Other Runs: This week: 37 ♦ Total for the year: 999

Mutual Aid Responses:

Birmingham

Mutual Aid Received ♦ ♦ This week: 2 ♦ ♦ This year: 19

Mutual Aid Given ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ This week: 0 ♦ ♦ This year: 2

Ferndale

Mutual Aid Received ♦ ♦ This week: 2 ♦ ♦ This Year: 16

Mutual Aid Given ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ This week: 1 ♦ ♦ ♦ This Year: 31

Madison Hts.

Mutual Aid Received This week: 3 This Year: 18
Mutual Aid Given This week: 1 This Year: 19
Automatic Aid Given This week: 0 This Year: 1

Southfield

Mutual Aid Received This week: 0 This Year: 0
Mutual Aid Given This week: 0 This Year: 1

West Bloomfield

Mutual Aid Received This week: 0 This Year: 0
Mutual Aid Given This week: 0 This Year: 1